

**IMPROVING PLACES SELECT COMMISSION
29th July, 2016**

Present:- Councillor Mallinder (in the Chair); Councillors Atkin, Cutts, Jepson, McNeely, Price, Sheppard, Walsh, Whysall and Wyatt.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allen, Taylor and Julie Turner.

7. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 15TH JUNE 2016

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Improving Places Select Commission, held on 15th June, 2016, be approved as a correct record for signature by the Chair.

Arising from Minute No. 5 (Tenancy Agreement for Rotherham's Council Housing Tenants), clarity was sought on:-

- The feedback figures
- Availability of the recently completed tenants and residents survey
- Evidence/breakdown of the reported increase in the number of evictions
- Whether the suggested amendments to a number of clauses were agreed by Cabinet

8. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There no Declarations of Interest made at the meeting.

9. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS

There were no members of the public and press present at the meeting.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications to report.

11. WORK PLANNING AND PRIORITISATION

Consideration was given to a report which detailed the outcome of a work programme planning and prioritisation session which had taken place on 15 July 2016 involving members of the Improving Places Select Commission.

The four priority areas identified from the session were:

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- Town Centres in Rotherham
- Transport
- Emergency Planning
- Dignity Cemetery and Crematorium services

Discussions concentrated on the four items, and reference was also made to the recently published HS2 proposals that would effect the southern part of the Borough.

It was agreed that Emergency Planning would be prioritised for early consideration and that a task and finish group would be convened to undertake this work. It was also agreed that Town Centres and Rural Transport should be prioritised for attention following the completion of activity on emergency planning.

Resolved:-

That the work programme be approved and Emergency Planning, Town Centres and Transport be prioritised for review in the 2016/17 municipal year.

12. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2016

Resolved:- That a further meeting be held on Wednesday, 14th September, 2016.